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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT BY PROF. LEMAIRE TO JERUSALEM

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1. AMBASSADOR VAN USSEL (BELGIUM) INFORMED PERMREP THAT PROF. LEMAIRE WILL MEET WITH DG M'BOW TUESDAY, JULY 22 RE A POSSIBLE VISIT BY LEMAIRE TO JERUSALEM. VAN USSEL SAID LEMAIRE WILL RECOMMEND IN FAVOR OF SUCH A VISIT AND IS READY AND WILLING TO GO. VAN USSEL SAID HE HAD LUNCH WITH BOLLA AND LEMAIRE TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES. BOLLA WAS GENERALLY NEGATIVE AFTER HIS RETURN FROM JERUSALEM, FEELING THE GOI IS INTENT UPON CONTINUING THE EXCAVATIONS AND THAT LITTLE CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY LEMAIRE. BOLLA WILL PROBABLY REPORT THIS VIEW TO DG M'BOW, BUT, HOPEFULLY THE DG WILL GO AHEAD WITH THE LEMAIRE TRIP.

2. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DISAPPOINTMENT AT UN/ESCO UPON LEARNING THAT GOI IS CONTINUING TO MAKE THE ARCHEAOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS AS IT WAS HOPED A SLOW DOWN AND GRADUAL STOPPAGE MIGHT HAVE PERMITTED THE DG MORE LEEWAY IN
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DEALING WITH THE GENERAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTION.

3. PERMDEL FEELS BEST COURSE OF ACTION IS NOT TO PRESS
M'BOW TO SEND LEMAIRE AS, FOR ONE THING, THE INFORMA-
TION WE HAVE OBTAINED IS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL BY THE
SECRETARIATE AND GIVEN M'BOW'S PRIDE AND SENSITIVITY
IT WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO APPEAR TO PUT ON
PRESSURE. HOWEVER, THROUGH APPROPRIATE CHANNELS WE
WILL SEE THAT US HOPE FOR CONTINUATION DIALOGUE ON
JERUSALEM IS CONVEYED.
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